

#### PRAY • WHAT'S YOUR ONE THING • MARK 12:28-31 • DO? LOVE OTHERS • 1 JOHN 4:21 BREAKING MY HEART MORE AND MORE FOR 30 YEARS • THE MORE I LOVE PEOPLE, THE MORE IT HURTS Love Your Neighbor As Yourself

Good Samaritan

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# **Take it Home**

ILL: "YOU'RE A WHITE SUPREMACIST" — LOVING THING? MAYBE I AM! • DIALOGUE, LISTENING, READING RACISM • SEXISM • GOOD MEASURE: "FIRST FREEDOM" • CONSPIRACY-ISTS, ANTI-VAXX, NATIONALISTS

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# News & Events at LCC and in our Community

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### Craft Day, October 29

Save the date for our next Creative Craft time: Saturday, October 29, 10-2 right here. Colleen will be teaching anyone interested how to make a T-shirt quilt. You can also just bring any project you want to work on, or come with questions for Sara and Colleen on how to do various crafts.

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

We know that many of you are new around here, and we want to help you find ways to plug in and get involved. Here are just a few of the volunteer opportunities available to you these days (we always offer training):

Our **Tech Team** does audio/video/lighting on Sundays and manages apps, websites, and more during the week.

Our **Connections Team** handles our lobby hospitality including running the coffee bar, greeting people at the doors, and managing Kidopolis Registration.

Our **Kidopolis Team** handles our Sunday Kidopolis program. We need teachers, helpers, and administrative people too.

Our **Worship Team** manages our Sunday music. If you are musical, or if you want to lend administrative help, we'd love to have you.

Our Cleaning Team keeps the building spic and span!

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